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January 30, 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED]
Inspector General
Defense Intelligence Agency

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With respect to your inquiry about my talk with Mr. [REDACTED]

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1. I met him at the entrance to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee at 10:00 a.m., on Friday, January 25th, when I entered with Secretary Rusk to appear before the Morse Subcommittee in a closed session. He did not "tackle me" but talked in his usual friendly manner.

2. He told me "The President lied. There had been three shiploads of Soviet weapons, all containing nuclear materials (he might have said weapons but I am not sure); that this was known throughout Defense; that nuclear materials had been detected [REDACTED]; the Joint Chiefs of Staff were exercised and were meeting that morning."

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3. Apparently he discussed the same subject with Senator Hickenlooper. The Senator questioned me concerning this in the hearing, except the Senator did not refer to the Joint Chiefs meeting. However, he did bring up the essential points [REDACTED] made concerning the three shipments. Hickenlooper did not reveal the source of his information, i.e., [REDACTED]

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I sent word to [REDACTED] that he was in error. He sent word back that since I felt this way, and in view of his recognition of my integrity, etc., he would check his sources on Monday morning, January 28th.

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John A. McCone
Director

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29 January 1963
8:40 a.m.

Mr. McCone:

Col. [] Inspector General, DIA, left this message:

"Last Friday at 1:00 p.m., Mr. McCone talked to Gen. Carroll and relayed some information he had had at the Senate Foreign Relations with Mr. [] [] I can't get to Gen. Carroll right now, and the purpose of my call is to see if Mr. McCone could clear some of this up - I am conducting a little investigation for Gen. Carroll and in one aspect of it, the time becomes a little important. According to my information, [] told Mr. McCone the Joint Chiefs of Staff were so concerned about this situation that they were meeting on it that Friday afternoon. I have three questions:

1. Did [] ^{Morning} in fact say words to that effect, about the JCS Meeting on Friday afternoon?
2. What time did Mr. McCone talk to Mr. [] in which he said that [] tackled me. " 10⁰⁰ = ARR
3. Did Senator Hickenlooper refer to or make a similar statement regarding the JCS Meeting? " NO -

I told Col. [] that Mr. McCone was out of the city until late this evening, and would be in the office on Wednesday, and Col. [] said, "well, I guess we'll have to wait until then."

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1:10 p.m. General Carroll called, but left no message.